

# **BIOGRAPHY**

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### MAJOR JANE E. BOOMER

Jane E. Boomer is the Department of Defense (DoD) Office of Military Commissions (OMC) Judge Advocate (JAG) spokesman. She is reponsible for briefing national and international media on all legal matters relating to Military Commissions, as well as educating the public on the Military Commission process. Her duties also include advising the DoD General Counsel on legal issues and the media.

Major Boomer was born in Rochester, New York. She attended the University of New Hampshire, graduating *summa cum laude* and *Phi Beta Kappa* with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science. After graduating, she returned to Rochester, New York, and worked as a paralegal in the litigation department at the law firm of Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle. She earned her law degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law in 1996. While in law school, she worked for three years in the family violence clinic, completing internships in the Niagara County Legal Aid office and Erie County District Attorney's office. In 1997, after graduating and passing the New York State bar exam, she worked for the Small Business Administration-Disaster Assistance Office as a federal attorney.

Major Boomer entered active duty through a direct commission in February 1998, and was first assigned to the USAF Academy, Colorado, where she served as the claims officer for the 10th Air Base Wing. In 1999, she volunteered for a remote tour to Korea and was assigned to the 51st Fighter Wing, Osan Air Base, Korea, where she served as the Chief of Civil Law and Labor Law. In 2000, she was assigned to the 48th Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom. While in the United Kingdom, she served as the Chief of Adverse Actions and Chief of Military Justice. Additionally, in October 2001, she deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In January 2002, she was appointed as the Area Defense Counsel at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. She left Sheppard in July 2003 to take an assignment as an Honors Law Clerk at the Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals, Washington, DC. In July 2004, she assumed her current duties as Chief Commissioner.

#### **EDUCATION:**

1991	Bachelor of Arts degr	e, Political Science,	University of New	Hampshire
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1996 Juris Doctor degree, SUNY at Buffalo School of Law

2002 Squadron Officer School, Correspondence

2004 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence

## **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. February 1998 June 1999, Chief of Claims, 10th Air Base Wing, USAF Academy, Colorado
- 2. June 1999 June 2000, Chief of Civil Law and Labor Law, Osan Air Base, Korea
- 3. June 2000 December 2001, Chief of Adverse Actions and Military Justice, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
- 4. December 2001 July 2003, Area Defense Counsel, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
- 5. July 2003 July 2004, Honors Law Clerk, Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington DC
- July 2004 August 2005, Chief Commissioner, Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington DC
- 7. August 2005 -- Present, ) Office of Military Commissions Judge Advocate spokesperson, Washington DC

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Air Force Commendation Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (with Oak Leaf Cluster)

Air Force Organizational Excellence Award National Defense Service Medal Korean Service Medal Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon Air Force Longevity of Service Medal

## **BAR MEMBERSHIP:**

Admitted to the New York State Bar
Admitted to practice before the U.S. Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals
Admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
Admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Captain February 1998 Major February 2005